

*Resolved*, That copies of this Resolution are sent to Senators Mathias and Tydings, and Representatives Beall, Fallon, Friedel, Garmatz, Gude, Hogan, Long, and Morton.

Approved April 22, 1970.

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No. 33

(Senate Joint Resolution 40)

Senate Joint Resolution requesting that a special committee of the Legislative Council be formed to study and report on the need for amendments to the Election Code (Article 33 of the Annotated Code of Maryland).

WHEREAS, problems have arisen with respect to the rights, duties and status of new political parties under the existing provisions of the Election Code; and

WHEREAS, the question has been raised as to whether the provisions of the Election Code relating to "primary meetings" should be continued; and

WHEREAS, questions have arisen as to when political parties are required or entitled to nominate candidates at a primary election; and

WHEREAS, it is deemed desirable to clarify the Election Code with respect to the formation of new political parties and the dissolution of political parties which have ceased to function in the State, now, therefore, be it

*Resolved by the General Assembly of Maryland*, That a special committee of the Legislative Council be formed to study and report on the need for or desirability of amendments to Article 33 of the Annotated Code of Maryland, with respect to:

- (a) the rights, duties and status of new political parties;
- (b) the provisions of the article relating to "primary meetings";
- (c) when political parties shall be required or entitled to nominate candidates by means of primary elections; and
- (d) the formation of new political parties, and the dissolution of political parties which have ceased to function in the State.

*Resolved*, That said special committee also report on any other amendments to Article 33 of the Annotated Code of Maryland which its study reveals to be desirable or necessary.

Approved April 22, 1970.

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No. 34

(Senate Joint Resolution 42)

Senate Joint Resolution requesting the Department of Natural Resources to pursue discussions with the Federal Government and with adjoining States in order to secure their cooperation in stopping the pollution of the Maryland waters.